

Paws to Consider

November 2009

Churchill sends his thanks...



You may have seen the stories about Churchill, an Old English Bulldog horribly burned by a local teen in mid-September. Churchill is now on the road to recovery thanks to an outpouring of support from the community. After more than a month of care at a local emergency veterinary clinic, this sweet boy has been transferred to a foster family who are helping him get ready for adoption. Churchill is continuing with his physical therapy and his terrible injuries are healing well. Testing revealed Churchill is also suffering from heartworms---once

healthy, he will need to be treated for these parasites as well. The case against the 14 year old involved has been forwarded to the Bexar County District Attorney's office for prosecution on animal cruelty charges.

Interested in adopting Churchill? Fill out an adoption application at ACS, 4710 State Highway 151 (off Old Highway 90).

Can't adopt but want to help stop animal cruelty?

Donate c/o The Churchill Fund to stop Animal Cruelty
Animal Care Services, 4710 State Highway 151, SAT, 78227

Events, Events, Events!

Saturday, November 7th

AAPAW Super Adoptions-ACS adoptions
Petco Bandera
Bandera @ 1604
10am-3pm

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"Come out and Play" Day-ACS adoptions
San Pedro Park
1315 San Pedro Park
10am-1pm

Wednesday, November 4th & 18th

ACS Clinic---\$12 rabies & \$15 microchips
4710 State Hwy 151
3pm-5pm

Saturday, November 28th

Pucks N Paws-ACS Adoptions
AT&T Center
One AT&T Center
5pm



Looking for a new pet?
Come by an adoption event
or visit the shelter at 4710
State Highway 151.

Don't eat that!

We understand everyone is guilty of slipping a little something off the table to their dog or cat. While a tasty tidbit is okay every now and then, too much "people food" can actually make your pet seriously ill. It may be tempting but don't give your pet food off of the table but holiday foods can be hard on your animal's stomach and may lead to diarrhea and vomiting. Avoid the worry (and the mess!) with these easy guidelines:



- Holiday goodies should be kept away from your pet. Chocolate and raisins can actually be fatal to many animals. Keep those candy bowls out of reach!
- Candies, gums with the artificial sweetener Xylitol can also be toxic to pets. This natural sweetener made from corn stalks can also be found in some diabetic friendly food so look at labels.
- Remember, poultry bones, including turkey, are a choking hazard and they can splinter.
- Giving alcohol to a pet--even a sip or two--is dangerous and could be fatal. Don't leave alcoholic beverages unattended because curious pets may stick their snouts in the glass.



Think your pet may have ingested something toxic?
Call the nearest pet emergency clinic by checking the Yellow Pages under "veterinary clinic".

There are several poison control hotlines specifically for pets.

Two of the best known are Kansas State University's service and the National Pet Poison Control Center run by the ASPCA.

The ASPCA does charge for their service and they can be reached 24 hours a day 365 days a year at 1-888-426-4435.

Kansas State University College of Veterinary Medicine offers a FREE service but it's a long distance call at 1-785-532-5679. An on call veterinary toxicologist will be paged to call you back for assistance.